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Mr. Barry S. Pulver
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9174 Sky Park Court, Suite 100
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Dear Mr. Pulver:

*Belt Street Pipeline Petroleum Rupture
Your File AST Belt Street Pipeline.bsp*

As promised, here's the complete contract between the City and AMEC entered into on February 4, 2000, clearly and expressly providing that AMEC and "any Subconsultants" are independent contractors (pp. 17-18).

I appreciate your continued cooperation and professionalism in this matter. Best wishes for the new year.

Sincerely yours,

CASEY GWINN, City Attorney

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Attachment